

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 656

INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

AMCONSUL MONTREAL

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, AG, CA

SUBJ: INQUIRY ON CANADIAN/ALGERIAN AGRICULTURAL  
EQUIPMENT DEAL

REF: STATE 192308

1. REFERENCE INQUIRY DISCUSSED WITH DIRECTOR, FRANCOPHONE AFRICA DIVISION, CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CIDA), WHO SAID CIDA HAS SILO PROJECT IN ALGERIA BUT AGENCY DOES NOT HANDLE TENDERS DIRECTLY. SUGGESTED CONSULTING AGENCY CONSORTIUM, COMSTOCK-FITZPATRICK-HOWE (CFH), MONTREAL, MR. PALCO OR MR. BOOTH, MIGHT BE ABLE PROVIDE REQUESTED INFORMATION.

2. AMCONSUL MONTREAL (LAGASSE) WHO TALKED WITH MR. BOOTH AT CFH LEARNED THAT FIRM HAS CONTRACT FOR DESIGNING GRAIN PROCESSING PLANT FOR ANGERIA BUT BOOTH UNCERTAIN WHETHER CONTRACT CALLS FOR REFERENCE MACHINERY. SPECIFICATIONS BEING HANDLED BY CFH OFFICE IN ALGIERS. BOOTH SUGGESTED THAT SINCE PALAU FAMILIAR WITH EQUIPMENT, HE, RATHER THAN AMCONSUL MONTREAL, COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH C. D. HOWE CO., CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES, 4333 ST. CATHERINE STREET WEST, MONTREAL H3Z 1P9, TELEPHONE 514-937-2381, MR. ALEXANDER OR MR. JENSEN (BOTH ENGINEERS), STATING REFERRED BY BOOTH OF CFH.

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3. BOOTH ALSO MENTIONED MAJOR U.S. CONSTRUCTION

COMPANY, MORRISON-KNUDSEN, INVOLVED TURNKEY  
CONTRACT SEED HANDLING AND PROCESSING PLANT IN ALGERIA,  
AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF INFORMATION.  
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